(b) and (c) Do not arise.

(d) No norms nave been fixed for the purpose.

Reviving of closed textile Mills in Gujarat

271. SHRI VITHALBHAI M. PATEL : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is any proposal to revive the closed textile mills of Ahmedabad and other cities of Gujarat ;

(b) whether there is any proposal to provide employment to the workers who are unemployed because of closure of textile mills in Gujarat; and

(c) what other steps Government are taking to provide employment to the workers of closed textile mills in Gujarat ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) Revival of closed textile mill depends upon its viability being established before the Nodal Agency/BIFR. Out of the 36 textile mills lying closed in Gujarat as on 31-5-1989 , the Nodal Agency has examined the cases of 20 mills. Out of these only 7 mills were found to be viable. The cases of these mills are now before the Board for Industrial and Financial Reconstruction. The Nodal Agency has been advised to expeditiously examine the cases of the remaining mills.

(b) and (c) It is for the State Government to formulate scheme for redeployment and rehabilitation of workers displaced by closures of textile mills, Government have already advised the State Government in this regard.

Demand of tobacco growers of Gujarat

272. SHRI VITHALBHAI M. PATEL : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a demand from the farmers of Gujarat growing bidi/hucca tobacco that bidi/hucca tobacco be brought under the perview of the Tobacco Board of India ; and

(b) if so, what steps Government are taking in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The National Cooperative Tobacco Growers Federation Limited has requested for bringing non-virginia tobacco like bidi tobacco and hucca tobacco under the purview of the Tobacco Board. Consultations with all concerned are being held to take a view on the agency which could be made responsible for the regulation of marketing of non-virginia tobacco.

Raids by Income-tax Directorate

273. SHRI VITHALBHAI M. PATEL : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that raids were conducted by the Income-tax Department all over the country during 1988 to unearth unaccounted money ;

(b) if so, what are the details of the raids conducted in different States, State-wise ;

(c) what quantum of unaccounted money was detected in these raids, State-wise ; and

(d) whether it is also a fact that some Chamber of Commerce and also some traders complained about the harassment meted out to the assessees by the Income-tax officials?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT